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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

Applicant: Thomas Cremer et al. Group Art Unit: 1637
Serial No.: 09/773,647 Examiner: J. Fredman
Filed: January 31, 2001
For: ARRANGEMENT OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES AND ITS USE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

PETITION FOR MONTH EXTENSION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

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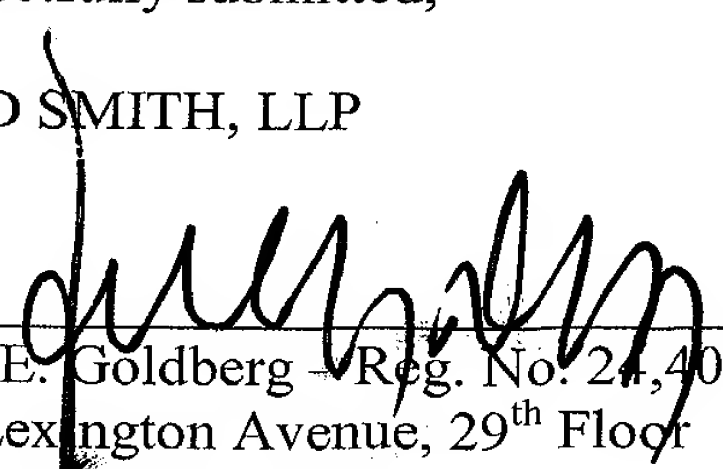
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